



IFW

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Steven W. Taatjes : Portland, Oregon
Serial No.: 10/749,258 : Art Unit 3636
Filed: 01/02/04 : Examiner: Joseph F. Ebell
For: ADJUSTABLE RETAINER FOR A
HEADREST : August 29, 2005

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D. C. 20231

AMENDMENT

Sir:

In responses to the Office Action of June 9, 2005 in the above identified application, please amend the specification as follows:

Page 2, lines 1 through 9, amend as follows:

desired. A retainer member is biased [into] toward post engagement in a precise manner to permit such positioning with light or heavy forces as desired.

The retainer assembly is concealed within the chair back but yet readily accessible for retainer adjustment. Access to the concealed retainer assembly is via an opening in the chair back normally occupied by a removable fastener serving to secure a chair fitting such as a trim plate. Added structure to a chair back to provide such access to the interior of a chair back is thereby avoided [as well as detracting] which would detract from chair appearance. [A] The retainer member is biased into contact with a post [mounted sleeve] bearing of synthetic material to provide infinite post adjustment in a controlled manner.

Page 3, amend line 7 as follows:

indicates the chair back outer component which is typically of formed metal.